

# City of Concord Weekly City Manager Newsletter

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# **ROUTE 3 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS - PENACOOK VILLAGE**

The rainy weather of this past week put a damper on progress of the drain work that was supposed to take place in the vicinity of Elm Street. The contractor was able to perform the pavement saw cutting for the intersections, trenches and driveways, as well as the beginning of tree removal. Construction of some of the drainage components from the bridge heading north to the Boscawen town line will continue into next week. Please be patient and use caution traveling through the construction zones as work progresses through the Village.

# <u>CITYWIDE COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT</u>

The City has engaged a design team led by the H.L. Turner Group for the new citywide community center. Turner has partnered with BH+A (a Boston based architectural firm specializing in community centers), as well as Shadley Associates (landscape architecture), Milestone Construction of Concord (construction cost estimating), HTE Northeast (geotechnical engineering), and BTW Engineers (electrical/telecom engineering). H.L. Turner was selected from a field of 10 design teams that responded to the City's Request for Proposals. The contract award for phase I services is \$122,000, per funding approved in the FY 2014 budget. The project will get underway in the next several weeks. Subject to appropriation of additional funds, the Turner team would be retained for full design of the project and construction administration. Separate from the Turner contract, boundary survey services are being provided by Richard Bartlett of Concord in the amount of \$12,500, and are currently underway.

### PARK USE

Now that spring has finally sprung, and all the parks, athletic fields and playgrounds are open, the Parks & Recreation Department would like to remind patrons of the following park rules:

- Parks are open everyday from 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM.
- No alcohol is allowed in the parks.
- Please use trash receptacles, or better yet, carry in and carry out your trash.
- Dogs are welcome; however, please keep them leashed and clean up and remove their waste. Please do not put pet waste in trash receptacles.
- Use of athletic fields usually requires a permit. Please call the Parks & Recreation Department at 225-8690 to schedule a field/receive a permit.
- If a field has been lined for a baseball game, please refrain from using it, as a group with a permit has reserved that field.
- Playground equipment is inspected frequently, but not all areas are seen every day. If you are aware of a problem with the playground equipment, please call the Parks & Recreation Department to report it.
- Swimming is not allowed in the White Park or Merrill Park ponds. Fishing is allowed, however.

We thank you for your cooperation.

## PARALLEL TAXIWAY TO RUNWAY 12/30



Next week, Continental Paving will focus on installing drainage at the east end of the new taxiway at the Concord Municipal Airport. Approximately 80% of the new fence has been installed. F.L. Merrill Construction will be working on cut and fills to bring the west end of the taxiway to subgrade level.

### TREE PLANTING



Last week, in observance of Arbor Day, the General Services Department planted two White Spruce trees at White Park in collaboration with the Modern Woodmen of America. Watch the General Services Department's YouTube video from Arbor Day and check out the new Sustainable Street Tree Program page on our website to learn about how the General Services Department is helping to plant trees each spring and how you can get involved if you want to plant a tree!